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TRANSDUCER

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May 5, 2004

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**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is responsive to the Official Action mailed February 6, 2004  
(Paper No. 20040205), the date of response to which is May 6, 2004.

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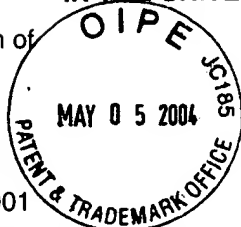
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**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment **9** minus highest number  
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